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SUBJECT:MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT FORD

REF: STATE 220225

1. THE FOLLOWING LETTER FROM PRESIDENT FORD TO PRIME
MINISTER SHOULD BE DELIVERED MONDAY OCTOBER 7:

DEAR MR. PRIME MINISTER:

ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8, I WILL PRESENT MY ECONOMIC
POLICY TO THE CONGRESS AND THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. IN
DEVELOPING THIS POLICY, I WAS GUIDED IN LARGE PART BY THE
RESULTS OF OUR RECENTLY CONCLUDED CONFERENCE ON INFLATION
IN WHICH A WIDE VARIETY OF VIEWS WERE SET FORTH. I WAS
ALSO WELL AWARE THAT THIS COUNTRY IS PART OF AN INTER-
DEPENDENT WORLD AND THAT IT IS IMPORTANT THAT WE COMMUNI-
CATE WITH EACH OTHER ON PROBLEMS OF MUTUAL CONCERN.

IN VIEW OF THE CLOSE ECONOMIC INTERRELATIONSHIPS
BETWEEN OUR COUNTRIES AND OUR COMMON DESIRE TO RESTORE
THE HEALTH OF THE INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY, I HAVE ASKED
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AMBASSADOR EBERLE TO VISIT EUROPE TO DISCUSS THE POLICIES
I AM ANNOUNCING TUESDAY. I WOULD BE PLEASED, SHOULD YOU
FIND IT CONVENIENT, IF DURING HIS STOP IN BRUSSELS HE
COULD MEET WITH OFFICIALS OF YOUR COUNTRY, AS WELL AS THOSE
OF THE OTHER TWO BENELUX COUNTRIES.

IN KEEPING WITH MY DESIRES FOR CLOSE AND CONTINUING
CONSULTATIONS, AMBASSADOR EBERLE AND HIS DELEGATION WILL
BE PREPARED TO DISCUSS THE ENTIRE RANGE OF DOMESTIC AND
INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY INITIATIVES WHICH WE ARE
UNDERTAKING. HE WILL, MOREOVER, BE EXTREMELY INTERESTED
IN YOUR COUNTRY'S VIEWS ON AREAS WHERE INCREASED COOPERA-
TION IS NECESSARY AND WHERE WE CAN TOGETHER ADDRESS AND
RESOLVE THE PROBLEMS WE FACE IN A MUTUALLY SUPPORTIVE
FASHION.

AMBASSADOR EBERLE WILL BE REPORTING TO ME ON HIS
VISIT AND I LOOK FORWARD TO THE TIME WHEN WE MAY PERSONAL-
LY DISCUSS THESE AND OTHER ISSUES.

SINCERELY,

GERALD R. FORD

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